Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission

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Description	FY 2003 Approved	FY 2004 Proposed	% Change	
Operating Budget	\$90,000	\$92,000	2.2	

The mission of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission (WMATC) is to help assure that the public is provided passenger transportation services by licensing fit and financially responsible, privately owned, for-hire carriers serving the region.

The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission assumed jurisdiction in March 1961. WMATC administers and carriers out the delegated powers of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact (Compact) (Public Law 86-794, 74 Stat.1031; amended in 1962 by Public Law 87-767, 76 Stat. 764; and amended in 1991 by Public Law 101-505, 104 Stat. 1300). The latest amended compact is codified at D.C. Code Ann. § 1-2411 (1992).

A Board of Commissioners directs the commission. One commissioner is appointed from

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Email	wmatc@	erols.com
Telephone Number:	(202)	331-1671
Number of certificated carriers		337
FY 2002 number of formal cases including applications for certificates of authority, insurance requirements and formal complaints against drivers		280
Number of commission orders issued		505

the District of Columbia Public Service Commission by the Mayor of the District of Columbia; one commissioner is appointed from the Maryland Public Service Commission by the Governor of Maryland; and one commissioner is appointed from the Virginia State Corporation Commission by the Governor of Virginia. Daily operations are directed by the Executive Director and carried out by the WMATC staff.

The agency plans to fulfill its mission by achieving the following strategic result goals:

For FY 2004:

- Provide 80 percent of its staff with online technology.
- Make available electronic signatures and acknowledgements for insurance certificates filed for carriers holding certificates of authority.
- Prossess a website that will provide information, rules, regulations, and forms needed by applicants and certified passenger carriers.

Where the Money Comes From

Table KC0-1 shows the sources of funding for the WMATC.

Table KC0-1

FY 2004 Proposed Operating Budget, by Revenue Type

(dollars in thousands)

	Actual FY 2001					Percent
Local Fund	82	83	90	92	2	2.2
Total for General Fund	82	83	90	92	2	2.2
Gross Funds	82	83	90	92	2	2.2

How the Money is Allocated

Table KC0-2 shows the FY 2004 proposed budget for the agency at the Comptroller Source Group level (Object Class level).

Table KC0-2

FY 2004 Proposed Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

(dollars in thousands)

	Actual FY 2001	Actual FY 2002	Approved FY 2003	Proposed FY 2004	Change from FY 2003	Percent Change
50 Subsidies and Transfers	82	83	90	92	2	2.2
Subtotal Nonpersonal Services (NPS)	82	83	90	92	2	2.2
Total Proposed Operating Budget	82	83	90	92	2	2.2

Gross Funds

The proposed Gross Funds budget is \$92,000, representing an increase of 2.2 percent over the FY 2003 budget of \$90,000.

General Fund

Local Funds. The proposed budget is \$92,000, representing an increase of \$2,000 over the FY 2003 approved budget of \$90,000.

Changes from the FY 2003 approved budget are:

 An increase of \$2,000 which represents the District's share of an overall WMATC increase of \$18,000 projected in FY 2004.

Programs

WMATC has a single regulatory objective, which is to regulate the operating authority, rates, and insurance of privately-owned, for-hire passenger carriers in the Washington Metropolitan

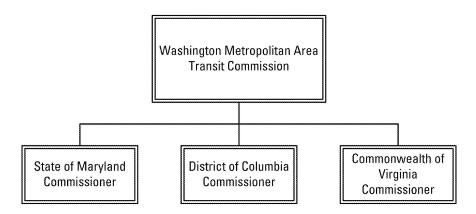
region. Specifically, the commission is responsible for granting operating authority to private carriers such as airport shuttles, charter group buses, tour buses, handicapped transport vehicles, private company shuttles, carriers for conventions, and other privately-owned vehicles used to transport persons in the Metropolitan region.

Applicants interested in operating in the Metropolitan region must obtain a certificate of authority by filing an application with the commission. As part of the application process, applicants must provide proof of insurance, a rate schedule, a list of vehicles, and proof of safety inspections. The commission is authorized to take legal action against carriers that operate without a certificate of authority.

The commission also establishes interstate taxicab rates. These interstate rates become effective when taxicabs cross over from one signatory

Figure KC0-1

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jurisdiction to another. The commission staff is available to determine estimated fares for taxicab trips from the District of Columbia to area airports or other points in Maryland or Virginia that are in the metropolitan region. Staff is also available to mediate taxicab overcharge complaints that are interstate in nature.

Agency Goals and Performance Measures

Goal 1: Promote cooperation with regional, federal, and private organizations.

Citywide Strategic Priority Area: Enhancing
Unity of Purpose and Democracy
Manager: Renee A. Bodden, Office Manager
Supervisor: William H. McGilvery, Executive
Director

Measure 1.1: Number of certificate carriers

	HSCAI Year					
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
Target	320	325	345	340	345	
Actual	320	337	-	-	-	

Note: At the request of the agency (2/24/02), FY 2002 target lowered from 330 to 325, FY 2003 target lowered from 340 to 330. The agency subsequently increased its FY 2003 target from 330 to 345 and its FY 2004 target from 330 to 340. (12/27/02)

Measure 1.2: Number of formal cases handled, which can include applications for certificate of authority, insurance requirements, and formal complaints against drivers

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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	
Target	170	235	250	240	250	
Actual	225	280	-	-	-	

Note: Based on revised projections (2/24/02), FY 2002 target raised from 170 to 35, FY 2003 target from 170 to 240. The agency subsequently increased the FY 2003 target from 240 to 250. (12/27/02)

Measure 1.3: Number of commission orders prepared for issues such as conditional operating licenses and operation suspensions

	HSCAI Year				
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Target	300	380	460	460	460
Actual	375	505	-	-	-

Note: Based on revised projections (2/24/02), FY 2002 target raised from 300 to 380, FY 2003 target from 300 to 390. The agency subsequently increased the FY 2003 target from 390 to 460 (12/27/02)